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SUBJ: FOREIGN GOLD COINS

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1. FOLLOWING RECEIVED FROM AUSTRALIA POLICE IN RESPONSE TO REFTEL.

2. QTE GOLD COINS MINTED IN AUSTRALIA DURING THE PERIOD 1855 TO 1909 INCLUSIVE, ARE IMPERIAL COINS OF THE UNITED KINGDOM AND IRELAND, BY VIRTUE OF ROYAL PROCLAMATION DATED 3RD FEBRUARY, 1966 AND THE COINAGE ACT (U.K.) 1971.

3. QTE THE FOLLOWING IS A DESCRIPTION BY DENOMINATION AND DATE:

A. HALF SOVEREIGN - PROGRESSIVE DATES FROM 1855 TO 1909 (INCLUSIVE)

B. SOVEREIGN - PROGRESSIVE DATES FROM 1855 TO 1909 (INCLUSIVE)

C. TWO POUND- (C AND D) BOTH THESE DESIGNS WERE

D. FIVE POUND ISSUED IN ENGLAND IN EACH YEAR, THE ONLY TWO DATES IN WHICH THESE COINS WERE AUTHORIZED TO BE ISSUED IN AUSTRALIA WERE 1887 QUEEN VICTORIA JUBILEE ISSUE AND 1902 EDWARD VII.

4. QUTE IMPERIAL COINS MINTED IN AUSTRALIA ARE DISTINGUISHABLE BY THE ADDITION OF MINTMARK 'S' (SYDNEY)
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'M' (MELBOURNE) 'P' (PERTH)

5. QTE THE STATUS OF GOLD COINS ISSUED AND MINTED AUSTRALIA 1909 TO 1931, NAMELY SOVERIGNS AND HALF

SOVEREIGNS, IS BEING CONSIDERED AND THE DECISION WILL
BE FORWARDED IMMEDIATELY WHEN AVAILABLE. IT WOULD
APPEAR THAT THESE COINS ARE ALSO COINAGE OF THE UNITED
KINGDOM, IRELAND AND AS SUCH ARE LEGAL TENDER. END QTE.
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